



WESTERN LAKES FIRE DISTRICT

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Press Release

TRAINING EXERCISE – Mass Casualty/Active Assailant
Meadow View Elementary School
City of Oconomowoc
10/27/2023
06:00 – 14:00 Hours

(Oconomowoc, WI) On Friday, October 27th, beginning at 6:00 a.m., the Western Lakes Fire District and City of Oconomowoc Police Department will be hosting a large-scale training exercise. The scenario of this exercise is a simulated active assailant incident on the grounds of Meadow View Elementary School in the City of Oconomowoc. Resources will begin arriving at 0600 with the active stages of the exercise beginning at 0800 and concluding by noon.

The leadership of Western Lakes Fire District, City of Oconomowoc Police, Town of Oconomowoc Police, Summit Police, and the Oconomowoc Area School District believe in being proactive and working together to keep the community safe. Waukesha County Emergency Management was able to obtain grant funding from the Department of Homeland Security to coordinate this regional training exercise.

The focus of this training exercise will be used to enhance public safety response should an incident occur locally, as well as enhance inter-agency cooperation and communications. A heavy law enforcement and Fire/EMS presence will be noted in the area of Meadow View Elementary School located off Hwy P (Brown Street) and Whalen Drive in the City of Oconomowoc. In addition to this location a heavy presence of emergency vehicles will be in the area of the old Meadow View School about ½ mile north of the new location off Brown Street and Crosspoint Community Church off Hwy 67 in the Town of Oconomowoc.

The Meadow View Elementary Campus and perimeter will be locked down during the time of this exercise. Anyone who attempts to enter the grounds of the exercise areas will not be allowed to enter. The perimeter is being treated as if this is an actual incident for the safety.

For additional information and/or details, please contact Public Information Officer Robert Duffy at rduffy@oconomowoc-wi.gov or Chief Bradley Bowen at bbowen@westernlakesfd.org.

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